

REMARKS

Claims 29-34 are pending in the application. Claims 29-33 were rejected in view of LoPiccolo (USP 6,429,863). Claim 34 was indicated by Examiner as having allowable subject matter.

While Applicant respectfully submits that claims 29-33 are not fully anticipated by the LoPiccolo reference (and thus Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection to the extent applicable), Applicant has chosen to expedite prosecution by amending claim 29 to incorporate the limitations of claim 34, and canceling claim 34. Accordingly, Applicant submits that claims 29-33 are in condition for allowance.

In addition, Applicant has added new claims 35-49, which Applicant believes are also patentably distinguishable over the cited references.

Reconsideration and allowance is requested.

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No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,



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